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The Sept. Bulletin mailed here on Sept. 27th., was received in the front line in Belgium on Oct.8th.. A letter recently received states that the Bulletins are awaited as eagerly as "TIME" magazine. We are glad to hear this but sorry we are unable to compete and make ours weekly.

We regret to report the following deaths: Capt. G.M.S.Stairs of wounds received in Oct. while in action; Lt.H.E.Wood on Western Front in Oct.; Lt. E.F.H. Boothroyd on Western Front in Sept.; Lt. M.S. Grant lost at sea on H.M.C.S. Alberni; Douglas L.Luther at Grace Dart Home, Montreal, in Nov..

F/O. R.A.Kenny and F/O. J.F.H.Kenny are both prisoners of war in Germany. Our best wishes to Lt.R.A.Lindsay for a speedy recovery from wounds received in France in Nov.. We are glad to hear that Lt. C.D.Sewell is making a good recovery from his wounds.

Capt. and Mrs. Bennett of Sackville, N.B., have donated two scholarships - to be known as The Ronald Bennett Scholarship end The Harrison Bennett Scholarship -- to perpetuate the memory of their two sons killed in France.

Our congratulations to: Brig. D.K.Black and Lt.Col. C.M.Drury O.B.E., who have both received the D.S.O. for gallantry in action: Major L.E.Baker, Yarmouth, N.S., for winning the M.C. in Italy for maintaining successful antitank defence by making the rounds of his guns on foot under heavy enemy fire; Maj. S.V.Radley-Walters for winning the M.C. for leadership and gallantry in action. He has destroyed 14 Nazi tanks in addition to one self-propelled and two anti-tank guns; Maj-Gen. Harry Foster was announced as commanding a "formation" possibly a division on the Western Front. He commanded the Canadians on the Kiska expedition; Maj. Dick Porteous for carrying out en impromptu but successful invasion of North Beveland Island and taking 250 Nazi prisoners; Sqn/Ldr. and Mrs.Holden, a son born in Sept. in Eng.; Lt. and Mrs. F.R.Whittall, a son born in Toronto in Oct.; Capt Lord and Lady Shaughnessy, a son born in Eng. in Oct.; Flt/Lt. and Mrs. P.W.Grier, a son born in Montreal, Ont..

Our thanks for letters and items of news from the following: J.W.Hooper, in black Watch, at Perth, Scotland; Elliott Spafford wrote from the front lines in Belgium and states that he has seen a great number of Old Boys; P/O. R. McD. Black received his commission in July; has been observer on a torpedo bomber stationed in Scotland; F/O.H.Morgan has completed 'one tour' over Engl. And has been with No.21 Ferry Control, R.A.F. India since July; 0/s. T. D.Ker V-62412, Sub.F.M.O. H.M.C.S.Cornwallis, saw Colin Stairs in Halifax; P/O.R.D. Collier, NO1. A.G.T.S. Maitland, N.S., received his Navigators Wing in Aug. Dick Collier is Torp. Officer on H.M.C.S. Oshawa; LAC. D.S.Nicholl, 700830, Pembroke, Bermuda, saw Derek Atkinson (Lt. Navy) while there; Dave Nicholl is in the R.A.F. Meteorological Service at Bermuda; Maj. F.H.Baldwin is in Holl-and and he saw Radley-Walters receive his M.C. decoration from Field Marshal Montgomery at a very impressive service, on Sunday, Nov.5th. Fred tells us that Dick Grier is in Eng. recovering from appendicitis and that Elliott Spafford is acting O.C. of a squadron and doing a fine job.

General items: The following Old Boys at McGill were present at Thanksgiving J.Jenkins last year Commerce: R.M.McBoyle Commerce: A.R.C. Dobell, Science: D.Phelps, Science; K.Darling, Science; D.Loggie and G.Stern; T.Hodgson, D.Sutherland, and C.H.Flintoft are all in the Navy; E.Cadenhead, Navy, P.O.M. at St.Hyacinthe taking W/T course; J.A.Fuller is in Navy; J.H.Jarrett, A.R. Reid, O.W.Brown are all at McGill; F. Boright at Westmount High; Lt.H.E.Trenholme on his month's leave, played in the Old Boys' game.

Since Thanksgiving, the following Old Boys have visited the School: Lt.J.Cross Navy, has done submarine duties around Malta; Lt.G.Cross, Navy, took part in "D-Day" landings; Lt/Comdr. H.Doheny took part in "D-Day" landings, being in command of a Flotilla; P/O Pat Stoker and AC T.MacFarlane were both present at the School Memorial Service on Nov.12th. Dick FTomlinson is in Ottawa at National Research H.Q's. "Wog" Palmer is also in Ottawa. Lionel Walsh is a Lt. at Petawawa. Lt.C.C.Love is in command of the Corvette H.M.C.S.Sackville. Mrs. Love is doing splendid work in the Chart Dept. in Halifax. Pte. A.L.Lemieux is a Driver Operator in a Bren Gun Carrier and is overseas. C.Stairs is in Navy at Halifax taking the R.A.course. J.Tyler is in the army at St.John's. R.Cockfield,McGill, received the Isaac Brock Medal. H.M.Burgess received the Chipman Medal in his final year medicine. J.Dohan,D.McLimont, A.Hugessen are at McGill. E.Phelps is interning at Mont.Gen. Hospital. Lt.G.H.Day is 1st. Lt. on "Thetford Mines". Lt.Kline MacDonald is on "Carisbroke Castle" and has been in Mediterranean. The three Boswells are all in the Eastern theatre of war. Lt.W.H.Howe took part in 7th, Victory Loan on Parliament Hill.

SCHOOL NOTES

On Sunday, Nov. 12th, a Memorial Service was held in the Chapel. Many wives, parents and friends of Old Boys killed in this war were present, and the short and simple service was possibly the most impressive ever held by the School.

That afternoon the Cadet Corps paraded as usual to the Remembrance Day Service at the Cenotaph in Lennoxville.

Many of those who receive this Bulletin will be interested to hear that a volume of poems by Kenneth Hugessen, who died in December, 1942, was recently published and favourably reviewed in the Montreal Gazette. Most of the poems were written while Kenneth was at B.C.S., and appeared first in the School Magazine.

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FOOTBALL Coached by Mr. Grier, the School Team evolved into the best team to watch that we have seen for some time. To the onlooking layman it seemed as though the team had been trained to an extent where in a match it could cast formal football aside and become free and easy without becoming confused. The matches will be written up in detail in the School Magazine; suffice it to say here that the game lost to Sherbrooke High was fought uphill in the last half and particularly in the last quarter by the School in a manner that was more satisfying to all its supporters than any win could have been; and that in the final game against Stanstead the team put on the sort of exhibition seldom seen outside the movies, completing incredibly long forward passes, returning kicks to the confusion of the opposition, and staging runs by the backfield that changed the whole course of the game in a matter of seconds. The team was made up of: Bill Price, Captain for the second year, Mike Wallace, Peter Satterthwaite, Les Gault, Doug Foss, David Johnson, Scotty Fraser, Charlie Neill, Bill and Jeff Arnold, Bill Satterthwaite, Jim Sewell, Desmond Stoker and Alec Mackenzie. A summary of the results of matches follows:

B.C.S. at Sherbrooke High School, Won, 18 - 1Lost, 12-11 Old Boys at B.C.S., Won, Lower Canada College at R.C.S., 19-1 B.C.S. at Stanstead, Won, 33 - 2Ashbury at B.C.S., Sherbrooke High School at B.C.S., Tied, 1-1 Lost, 10-7 B.C.S. at Lower Canada College, Won, 6-1 Won, 49-1 6-1 Stanstead at B.C.S.,

This year the lower creases were divided into two leagues of three teams each, and played a hard fought schedule with much more zest and enthusiasm than used to characterize practice games on individual creases.

OTHER ACTIVITIES At the close of the rugby season a soccer league, seven teams captained by Prefects and most of them including a master somewhere in the fullback line, went into operation. As we go to press the league is still running - the masters seldom.

The Cross Country Course has been laid out over the same terrain as has been used on the last two occasions - round behind the Experimental Farm and through the Golf Links, and the race will be run on Saturday, Nov. 18th.

Cadets are entered in the Rifle Competition for the Empire Shield, and shoots are held daily.

The yearly Hallowe'en celebration this year took the form of a stage show featuring acts to suit all tastes, from the intellectual heights of "Crossing the Tracks" to the Fourth Form's low comedy "The Masters as We See Them".

The next issue of the Bulletin will not come out until Christmas and New Year's are things of the past, so wherever and whenever this number catches up with you it carries the School's wishes for a good Christmas and a victorious New Year.

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